Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 11 Feb 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 12 Feb 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 10 Feb 2021 at 11:58 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for remaining cold, mainly dry and bright for Thursday and Friday. Confidence lowering for detail of timing and extent for longer periods of snow from Saturday, also the progress of milder weather Sunday and Monday.

Headline for Thursday 11 Feb 2021: Dry, bright, but very cold with winds and drifting increasing.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 11 Feb 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Clear night	Clear night	Clear night	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Clear night	Clear night
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	00%	<05%

Forecast for Thursday 11 Feb 2021

Weather: Dry and clear overnight with a widespread deep frost extending to the vast majority. A dry and bright day, however very cold with few lower parts lifting above freezing, also with winds strengthening lying snow will increasingly drift. Isolated snow showers beginning to feed across eastern ranges to the north of the Black Isle during the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Almost 100%, perhaps lowering 90% across eastern ranges to the north of the Black Isle during the evening.

Visibility: Generally excellent or very good but poor or very poor in drifting, also in any later snow showers in north and where bases lower over hills in and around these showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	18/23 SE	17/22 SE	16/21 E	18/24 E	21/28 E	24/32 E	27/35 E	29/37 E	31/40 E
900	17/22 SE	16/21 SE	15/20 E	18/23 E	21/27 E	23/31 E	26/34 E	27/36 E	28/38 E
600	13/18 SE	12/17 SE	12/17 E	14/19 E	15/22 E	15/24 E	18/27 E	17/27 E	18/28 E
300	4/13 E	4/13 E	5/13 E	6/16 E	6/19 E	5/21 E	7/24 E	7/25 E	7/27 E
Glen	8/13 E	9/13 E	9/13 E	10/16 E	12/19 E	12/22 E	13/25 E	14/26 E	14/28 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-10/-19	-10/-19	-10/-19	-10/-19	-8/-16	-7/-16	-8/-18	-8/-18	-9/-19
900	-9/-18	-10/-18	-10/-18	-10/-18	-7/-15	-6/-15	-8/-17	-8/-17	-8/-18
600	-7/-14	-7/-14	-8/-14	-7/-14	-4/-11	-4/-11	-5/-12	-6/-13	-6/-14
300	-6/-9	-6/-9	-6/-10	-6/-10	-2/-6	-2/-5	-4/-8	-4/-8	-4/-8
Glen	-2/-6	-2/-6	-2/-6	-2/-7	1/-4	2/-3	-0/-6	-1/-6	-0/-6
Freezing Level*	00m	00m	00m	00m	00m	00m	00m	00m	00m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Severe wind chill and drifting difficulties anticipated.

Forecast for Friday 12 Feb 2021
Weather: Very cold again. Most staying dry and bright, however a few light snow showers in the north and east, and with strong summit winds the wind chill and drifting will continue to bring potentially hazardous conditions.

Maximum wind: Southeast mean 30-35mph with gusts reaching 50mph across most exposed ridges and summits.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: For eastern ranges to the north of the Black Isle 80%, otherwise 95% plus.

Visibility: Generally excellent or very good but poor or very poor in drifting, also in snow showers in north and where bases lower over hills in and around these showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 10 Celsius peaking at plus 1 Celsius during afternoon
At 800m: Minus 5-7 Celsius
Freezing level: All levels

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